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HOUSE BILL No. 1265

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Citations Affected: IC 5-2; IC 35-38; noncode.

Synopsis: Criminal records of juveniles. Provides for the sealing of criminal history data concerning an act committed by a person before the person became 18 years of age ten years after the person was last adjudicated a delinquent child. Provides that this provision does not apply to a person who: (1) commits a sex offense, certain violent offenses, or murder; (2) is in a penal facility when the person is at least 22 years of age; (3) is arrested for a felony after the person becomes 18 years of age; or (4) has been convicted of a felony within ten years of the person being adjudicated a delinquent child.

Effective: July 1, 2002.

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January 14, 2002, read first time and referred to Committee on Courts and Criminal Code.
January 24, 2002, reassigned to Committee on Human Affairs.
January 31, 2002, amended, reported — Do Pass.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2001 General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal and juvenile law and procedure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 5-2-5-16 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2002]: **Sec. 16. (a) This section does not apply to the following**
4 **persons:**

5 (1) A sex and violent offender (as defined in IC 5-2-12-4)
6 subject to sex offender registration.

7 (2) A person convicted of murder.

8 (3) A person who is in a penal facility ten (10) years after the
9 person was last adjudicated a delinquent child.

10 (b) Subject to this section, if:

11 (1) the department, a criminal justice agency, or a juvenile
12 justice agency possesses criminal history information relating
13 to an act that a person committed or allegedly committed
14 before the person became eighteen (18) years of age;

15 (2) the:

16 (A) department; or

17 (B) criminal justice agency, after checking with the

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- 1 department;
 2 does not find that the person was arrested for a felony that the
 3 person committed after the person became eighteen (18) years
 4 of age; and
 5 (3) the person has not been convicted of a felony during the
 6 ten years since the person was last adjudicated a delinquent
 7 child;
 8 the department, criminal justice agency, or juvenile justice agency
 9 shall seal the person's criminal history data ten (10) years after the
 10 person was last adjudicated a delinquent child.
 11 (c) Except as provided under subsection (d), the department,
 12 criminal justice agency, or juvenile justice agency may not release
 13 sealed criminal history data to, or allow inspection of sealed
 14 criminal history data by, any agency or person other than the
 15 person who is the subject of the criminal history data.
 16 (d) A court may order the release or inspection of sealed
 17 criminal history data only if:
 18 (1) the person who is the subject of the sealed criminal history
 19 data challenges its existence during a court proceeding; or
 20 (2) the person who is the subject of the sealed criminal history
 21 is arrested in the United States, in Indiana, in another state,
 22 or in another country for an act that:
 23 (A) the person committed after the person became eighteen
 24 (18) years of age; and
 25 (B) is a felony in Indiana or the equivalent of a felony in
 26 Indiana.
 27 Criminal history data ordered released under subdivision (1) is
 28 unsealed only to the extent reasonably necessary to refute the claim
 29 under subdivision (1) that the sealed criminal history data does not
 30 exist. Criminal history data ordered released under subdivision (2)
 31 may be released or inspected as if the criminal history data had
 32 never been sealed.
 33 SECTION 2. IC 35-38-4-7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 34 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
 35 1, 2002]: Sec. 7. (a) This section does not apply to the following:
 36 (1) A sex and violent offender (as defined in IC 5-2-12-4)
 37 subject to sex offender registration.
 38 (2) A person convicted of murder.
 39 (3) A person who is in a penal facility ten (10) years after the
 40 person was last adjudicated a delinquent child.
 41 (b) Subject to this section, if a court:
 42 (1) possesses criminal history data (as defined in IC 5-2-5-1)



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or other records relating to a criminal act that a person committed or allegedly committed before the person became eighteen (18) years of age;

(2) after checking with the state police department, does not find that the person was arrested for a felony that the person committed or allegedly committed after the person became eighteen (18) years of age; and

(3) finds that the person has not been convicted of a felony during the ten(10) years since the person was last adjudicated a delinquent child;

the court shall seal the person's criminal history data (as defined in IC 5-2-5-1) or other related court records ten (10) years after the person was last adjudicated a delinquent child.

(c) Except as provided in subsection (d), the court may not release sealed criminal history data (as defined in IC 5-2-5-1) or related court records to, or allow inspection of sealed criminal history data (as defined in IC 5-2-5-1) or related court records by, any agency or person other than the person who is the subject of the criminal history data (as defined in IC 5-2-5-1) or related court records.

(d) A court may order the release or inspection of sealed criminal history data (as defined in IC 5-2-5-1) or related court records only if:

(1) the person who is the subject of the sealed criminal history data challenges its existence during a court proceeding; or

(2) the person who is the subject of the sealed criminal history is arrested in the United States, in Indiana, in another state, or in another country for an act that:

(A) the person committed after the person became eighteen (18) years of age; and

(B) is a felony in Indiana or the equivalent of a felony in Indiana.

Criminal history data ordered released under subdivision (1) is unsealed only to the extent reasonably necessary to refute the claim under subdivision (1) that the sealed criminal history data does not exist. Criminal history data ordered released under subdivision (2) may be released or inspected as if the criminal history data had never been sealed.

SECTION 3. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002] IC 5-2-5-16 and IC 35-38-4-7, both as added by this act, apply only to a person who:

(1) was last adjudicated a delinquent child after June 30, 1992; or



1 **(2) was last adjudicated a delinquent child before July 1, 1992,**
2 **and petitions a court, the state police department, a juvenile**
3 **justice agency, or a criminal justice agency that possesses**
4 **criminal justice information to seal the person's criminal**
5 **history information after June 30, 2002.**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Human Affairs, to which was referred House Bill 1265, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 8, delete "when the person is" and insert **"ten (10) years after the person was last adjudicated a delinquent child."**

Page 1, delete line 9.

Page 1, line 14, delete "and".

Page 2, line 4, after ";" insert **"and**

(3) the person has not been convicted of a felony during the ten years since the person was last adjudicated a delinquent child;"

Page 2, line 6, delete "when the person" and insert **"ten (10) years after the person was last adjudicated a delinquent child."**

Page 2, delete line 7.

Page 2, line 18, delete "by" and insert **"in"**.

Page 2, line 36, delete "when the person is" and insert **"ten (10) years after the person was last adjudicated a delinquent child."**

Page 2, delete line 37.

Page 2, line 42, delete "and".

Page 3, line 4, after ";" insert **"and**

(3) finds that the person has not been convicted of a felony during the ten(10) years since the person was last adjudicated a delinquent child;"

Page 3, line 6, delete "when the person" and insert **"ten (10) years after the person was last adjudicated a delinquent child."**

Page 3, delete line 7.

Page 3, line 21, delete "by" and insert **"in"**.

Page 3, line 35, delete "becomes twenty-two (22) years of age after June 30, 2002;" and insert **"was last adjudicated a delinquent child after June 30, 1992;"**.

Page 3, line 37, delete "became twenty-two (22) years of age before July 1, 2002," and insert **"was last adjudicated a delinquent child before July 1, 1992,"**.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1265 as introduced.)

SUMMERS, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 12, nays 0.

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